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SUBJ: RELEASE OF AMERICAN PRISONERS

1. COMUS/K JUDGE ADVOCATE'S OFFICE WAS OFFICIALLY INFORMED NOV 12 BY MINISTRY OF JUSTICE (MOJ) THAT REMAINING FOUR U.S. MILITARY PRISONERS CONFINED BY ROKG WILL BE RELEASED FROM SUWON PRISON NOV 15. NAMES AND DETAILS REGARDING PRISONERS ARE: MATTHEWS, TERRY A., SP4, SERVED FOUR OF TEN YEARS FOR MURDER; BROCKMAN, ROBERT E, SP 4, SERVED JUST OVER TWO OF TEN YEARS FOR MURDER AND ROBBERY; JANESKE, PAUL E., SGT., SERVED JUST OVER TWO OF TEN YEARS FOR MURDER AND ROBBERY; KEIR, JOHN M., PVT-2, SERVED THREE MONTHS OF TWO-YEAR SENTENCE FOR OPIUM SMUGGLING.

2. JUDGE ADVOCATE'S OFFICE WAS TOLD RELEASE WAS BEING MADE AS GOOD WILL GESTURE IN ADVANCE PRESIDENT FORD'S VISIT.

3. COMUS/K IS MAKING ARRANGEMENTS TO FLY MEN TO WEST COAST OF US ON DAY OF RELEASE.

4. IF PAST PRACTICE FOLLOWED, PRISONERS WILL NOT BE INFORMED UNTIL FEW MINUTES BEFORE RELEASE AND U.S. CONFIDENTIAL

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ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT INTERESTED CONGRESSIONAL AND OTHER PARTIES ALSO NOT BE GIVEN ADVANCE NOTICE.

5. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE, EMBASSY WAS INFORMED TODAY BY CHIEF PROSECUTOR, MOJ, THAT ALEXANDER JOHN JANECKI, JR., (REF SEOUL 5007 AND PREVIOUS) WOULD BE RELEASED SOON AND TURNED OVER TO KOREAN IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES FOR DEPORTATION.

6. EMBASSY WILL REPORT ACTUAL RELEASE OF PRISONERS AS SOON AS CONFIRMED.
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